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SUBJECT: ITALIAN SUGGESTION FOR CORRELATION SHEET

BETWEEN COCOM INTERNATIONAL LIST AND

BRUSSELS TARIFF NOMENCLATURE NUMBERING

REF: COCOM DOC. IL (75) 1

1. AS EXPECTED, ITALIAN DEL REFERRED TO REFDOC AT JAN. 14 COCOM MEETING AND REQUESTED THAT OTHER DELEGATIONS GIVE THEIR VIEWS BY MEMORANDUM RATHER THAN HAVING QUESTION SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION AT A LATER COCOM MEETING. IF REACTIONS WERE FAVORABLE, A WORKING GROUP COULD THEN BE CONVENED. COMMENT FROM DELS WHO RECALLED PREVIOUS ATTEMPTS ALONG THIS LINE WERE GENERALLY NEGATIVE, ALBEIT OFF THE RECORD.

2. AS RECORDED IN COCOM SUMMARY (75) 1, "THE CHAIRMAN FELT THAT BEFORE EMBARKING UPON DISCUSSION ON THIS MATTER, DELEGATIONS MIGHT WISH TO STUDY THE PREVIOUS WORK OF THE COMMITTEE IN THIS FIELD (SEE SUB-C(62)2, PARAGRAPHS 74 TO 104; 4995.7 AND 14; 5070 PARAGRAPH 1, SECTION (E), 5070.1 PARAGRAPHS 30 TO 38; 5070.2 TO 10, SUB-C(63)3, TO 5, SECRETARIAT PAPER NO. 118; IL (72) 1 TO 3."

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3. USDEL COMMENTED OFF RECORD THAT ITALIAN WORK PLAN

SEEMED TO INVOLVE EXTENSIVE DUPLICATION OF LABOR. IF THE IDEA WAS ACCEPTABLE IN GENERAL, IT MIGHT BE BEST FOR ONE INTERESTED DELEGATION TO PROVIDE A CORRELATION SHEET DRAFT FOR THE WHOLE LIST, OR TO HAVE VARIOUS MEMBERS EACH TAKE ONE PORTION. ALSO OFF RECORD, ITALIAN DEL SAID HIS AUTHORITIES WERE IN FACT ALREADY UTILIZING SUCH A CORRELATION SHEET, SINCE THEIR OWN NATIONAL EXPORT CONTROL LIST UTILIZED BTN RATHER THAN IL NUMBERS (AS WITH SOME OTHER PCS WHO PUBLISH COCOM LIST AS THEIR OWN, SUBSTANTIALLY IN TOTO). HE SAID HE WOULD PROVIDE THIS MATERIAL BILATERALLY TO USDEL.

4. THIS IS LITTLE ENTHUSIASM FOR ITALIAN SUGGESTION, AND SO THEY MAY QUIETLY LET THE MATTER DROP. NEVERTHELESS, USDEL WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE FOR A MORE DEFINITIVE REPLY.
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